## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

ANTHONY WAKEFIELD,

Plaintiff,

4:13CV3112

VS.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

The United States has moved to strike the plaintiff's jury demand on his claims for recovery under the Federal Tort Claims Act. (Filing No. 14). The plaintiff has not responded to the motion, and the deadline for responding has passed. The motion is fully submitted.

Parties are not entitled to a jury trial in most actions against the United States, (see 28 U.S.C. § 2402), including actions pursued under the Federal Tort Claims Act. <u>U.S. v. Neustadt, 366 U.S. 696, 701 n. 10 (1961)</u> ("There is no right to a jury trial under the Tort Claims Act."). <u>See also Mader v. U.S., 654 F.3d 794, 797 n. 1 (8th Cir. 2011)</u> ("FTCA actions must be tried to a judge, not a jury").

IT IS ORDERED that the United States' motion to strike the plaintiff's jury demand, (Filing No. 14), is granted.

February 4, 2014.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Cheryl R. Zwart United States Magistrate Judge

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